

All Glory be to GOD.

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SIR,

HIS MAJESTY in these His Letters Patents, which I now send You, having given a fresh and great assurance of His Graciousness to His own Subjects, in shewing Himself so very Gracious to *Protestant Strangers*, and having requir'd Me to give a *particular Recommendation, and Command*, to my Brethren of the Clergy within my Diocess, to *advance this so Pious and Charitable a Work*: I think it my Duty, with my utmost Zeal, to further so God-like a Charity; And I do therefore strictly enjoin You, That You most *affectionately and earnestly Perswade, Exhort, and Stir up* all under Your Care, *To Contribute Freely and Chearfully to the Relief of these Distressed Christians*, and to do it with as Well-tim'd an Expedition as You can. And that His Majesties Royal Goodness may have its full Effect, I beseech You, for the Love of God, to be Exemplarily Liberal to them Your Self, according to Your ability; remembering how Blessed a thing it is to be Brotherly Kind to Strangers, to Christian Strangers, especially such as These, whose Distress is very great, and is in all Respects most Worthy of our tenderest Commiseration, and how our most Adorable Redeemer does interpret, and does proportionably Reward all the Good we do to Them, as done to Himself. God of His Infinite Mercy inspire this Fraternal Charity into Your own Soul, and into the Souls of all Your Parish.

Your affectionate Friend and Brother,

Wells, April 15th.
1686.

Tho. Bath & Wells.



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